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TO HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENTS

SUBJECT: Relationship of Executive Order 10501 and Executive Order 10450.

In reply to an inquiry by the Civil Service Commission concerning the further clarification of the relationship and application of E.O. 10501 to E.O. 10450, the Department of Justice has furnished the following information:

"It is our view that Section 5(g)(2) of the Sample Regulations, providing for the employment of a suspended employee in another position, does encompass such employment in a position of less rank and pay. It would seem that the power and authority to terminate employment under Public Law 733 would necessarily include by implication the lesser power to transfer the employee to another position of lesser rank and pay.

"Second, assuming that the procedures under Executive Order 10450 are followed, it is the view of the Department that a finding by the head of the department or agency that the continued employment of an individual in a sensitive position is clearly consistent with the interests of the national security necessarily involves a determination that the employee is being cleared for access to any information necessary in the performance of the duties of the position for which he is cleared. Inclusion of an affirmative determination to that effect in the employee's file would be appropriate."

All departments and agencies are requested to make the foregoing information available to all employees who work on cases involving clearances for employment under E.O. 10450 and clearance for access to classified information and materials under E.O. 10501.

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